ment in most cases. Occasionally, however, individual specific antigens are necessary.

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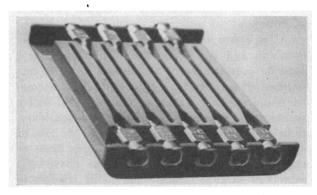
Protection for the Points of Hypodermic Needles

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BLUNTING OF THE POINT of a hypodermic needle often occurs during sterilization when the point comes in contact with the metal wall of the sterilizing tray.

The device shown in the photograph is a protective holder, with slots and notches to hold nine hypodermic needles of various sizes. Only 3 inches by $2\frac{1}{2}$ inches, it fits into even a small sterilizing unit and yet leaves space for several syringes besides. Made of a plastic material that may be boiled or subjected to high temperatures in an autoclave without warping, it will last for at least a year under ordinary use. Besides protecting the points, the

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holder provides a place where needles may be kept in orderly arrangement by size, and from which they may be easily removed for use.

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